

38230 to 38285—Continued. (Quoted notes by Mr. F. N. Meyer.)

and angular green branches rooting wherever they touch moist ground and making a regular matting of living twigs, keeping soil and stones from moving away. This plant is by its nature fit to cover rockeries, to be grown at the edges of terraces, to cover old walls, etc., and deserves to be given a thorough test as a bank and soil binder, especially in the sections of the United States where the winters are not too severe, while the summers can be hot and dry. Chinese name *Ying ch'un hua*, meaning 'meeting-the-spring flower.'

Cuttings.

38249 to 38253. *ZIZIPHUS JUJUBA* Miller. Rhamnaceæ. **Jujube.**
(*Ziziphus sativa* Gaertn.)

Scions of the following:

38249. "(No. 1146. Fuma, near Anyih sien, Shansi, China. February 14, 1914.) A variety of jujube supposed to be the largest of all; fruits are said to be larger than ordinary hens' eggs and resemble small pears; oval shape; color, mahogany brown. This variety is said to have originated through having grafted an ordinary jujube on pear roots(?). Chinese name *Li tsao*, meaning 'pear jujube.' Good only when eaten fresh."

38250. "(No. 1147. Village of Nanyangyao, near Anyih sien, Shansi, China. February 14, 1914.) A variety of jujube of peculiar shape, the top being larger than the base in some fruits and protruding above it with a circular constriction just below, giving the impression of one fruit placed above another; size, medium; color, light mahogany. Can be eaten fresh or put up in weak brandy. Chinese name *P'o p'o tsao*, meaning 'mother-in-law jujube,' having reference to the peculiar shape of the fruit, in connection with the fact that a Chinese wife generally sits under the rule of her husband's mother."

38251. "(No. 1148. Village of Siaoshu, near Anyih sien, Shansi, China. February 14, 1914.) A variety of jujube of oval, tapering shape, medium sized; color, light brown-red. Can be put up in weak brandy. Chinese name *Kên tsao*, meaning 'hard jujube.'"

38252. "(No. 1149. Village of Nantsunwu, near Anyih sien, Shansi, China. February 14, 1914.) A variety of jujube, the fruits of which are said to be flat in shape and somewhat undulated. The branches are curiously bent and twisted, while the tree assumes a beautiful bowl-like form. Chinese name *Kuai tsao*, meaning 'bent jujube.'"

38253. "(No. 1150. Village of Nantsunwu, near Anyih sien, Shansi, China. February 14, 1914.) A variety of jujube, said to be much like the preceding (No. 1149); the branches, however, are less twisted, while the form of the tree is more open and loose."

38254. *CATALPA BUNGEI* C. A. Meyer. Bignoniaceæ.

"(No. 1151. Village of Wangyuko, near Anyih sien, Shansi, China. February 15, 1914.) A quick-growing Chinese timber tree, growing to large size, specimens being seen 100 feet tall, with trunks 10 to 15 feet in circumference a few feet above the ground. The Chinese plant this tree for its wood, which is strong, light, durable, and nonwarping. It resembles walnut to some extent and is much in demand for table tops and for